CLAIMS IN THE CASE

What is claimed is:

1.   (original) A method for selecting skinnable interfaces comprising:

accessing user specific information upon installation of an application on a computing resource that is associated with a user, said user associated with said user specific information;

determining a selected user interface (UI) skin from a plurality of UI skins based on said user specific information; and

configuring said application to incorporate said selected UI skin as a default UI skin for said application.

2.   (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said determining a selected UI skin further comprises:

associating said user with a selected partner from a plurality of partners based on said user specific information, wherein said plurality of partners is associated with said plurality of skins; and

determining said selected UI skin based on said selected partner.

3.   (original) The method of Claim 2, further comprising:

providing revenue sharing from said selected partner.

4.   (currently amended) The method of Claim 1, wherein said determining a selected UI skin further comprises:

associating said user with a selected ~~class~~ type from a plurality of ~~classes~~ types based on said user specific information, wherein said plurality of ~~classes~~ types is associated with said plurality of skins; and

determining said selected UI skin based on said selected ~~class~~ type.

5.   (original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising:

displaying said selected UI skin as a user interface for said application when running said application.

6.   (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said application comprises a local portal for accessing local resources on said computing resource and web based resources.

7.   (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said configuring said application further comprises:

selecting a background presentation associated with said UI skin;

adding at least one category that is dynamically defined based on said user specific information over said background presentation, wherein said category comprises related links to local resources on said computing resource and web based resources.

8.   (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said user specific information comprises behavioral logic available on said computing resource, said behavioral logic associating said user to said selected UI skin.

9.   (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said accessing user specific information further comprises:

accessing product registration information to access said user specific information.

10.   (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said accessing user specific information further comprises:

querying said user for said user specific information upon installation of said application.

11.   (original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising:

loading only said selected UI skin when installing said application onto said computing resource.

12.   (original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising:

dynamically updating said selected UI skin.

13.   (original) A partner specific user interface comprising:

a background presentation as background to a user interface application, wherein said background presentation is associated with a selected skin chosen from a plurality of skins based on user specific behavioral logic, wherein said user specific behavioral logic is obtained during

installation of an application on a computing resource; and at least one category that is

dynamically defined based on said user specific behavioral logic and that is added to said

background presentation in said selected skin for said user interface application, wherein said

category comprises related links to local resources on said computing resource and web based

resources.

14.   (original) The partner specific user interface of Claim 13, wherein said selected

skin is associated with a selected partner chosen from a plurality of partners based on said user

specific behavioral logic, and wherein said plurality of skins is associated with said plurality of

business partners.

15.   (original) The partner specific user interface of Claim 14, wherein said user

specific behavioral logic associates a user as a customer of said selected partner.

16.   (currently amended) The ~~method~~ partner specific user interface of Claim 15,

wherein said user purchased said computing resource from said selected partner.

17.   (original) The partner specific user interface of Claim 13, wherein said category

comprises an XML file for adding said category in said background presentation.

18.   (original) The partner specific user interface of Claim 13, wherein said selected

skin is displayed upon starting said application.

19.   (original) The partner specific user interface of Claim 13, wherein said user

interface application is started upon boot up of said computing resource.

20.   (original) A computer system comprising:

a processor;

a computer readable memory coupled to said processor and containing program

instructions that, when executed, implement a method for selecting skinnable interfaces

comprising:

accessing user specific information upon installation of an application on a

computing resource that is associated with a user, said user associated with said user

specific information;

determining a selected user interface (UI) skin from a plurality of UI skins based

on said user specific information; and

configuring said application to incorporate said selected UI skin as a default UI

skin for said application.

21.   (original) The computer system of Claim 20, wherein said determining a selected

UI skin in said method further comprises:

associating said user with a selected partner from a plurality of partners based on said

user specific information, wherein said plurality of partners is associated with said plurality of

skins; and

determining said selected UI skin based on said selected partner.

22.   (original) The computer system of Claim 21, wherein said method further

comprises:

providing revenue sharing from said selected partner

23.   (currently amended) The computer system of Claim 20, wherein said determining

        a selected UI skin in said method further comprises:

associating said user with a selected ~~class~~ type from a plurality of ~~classes~~ types based on

said user specific information, wherein said plurality of ~~classes~~ types is associated with said

plurality of skins; and

determining said selected UI skin based on said selected ~~class~~ type.

24.   (original) The computer system of Claim 20, wherein said method further

comprises:

displaying said selected UI skin as a user interface for said application when running said

application.

25.   (original) The computer system of Claim 20, wherein said application comprises

a local portal for accessing local resources on said computing resource and web based resources.

26.   (original) The computer system of Claim 20, wherein said configuring said

application in said method further comprises:

selecting a background presentation associated with said UI skin;

adding at least one category that is dynamically defined based on said user specific

information over said background presentation, wherein said category comprises related links to

local resources on said computing resource and web based resources.

27.   (original) The computer system of Claim 20, wherein said user specific

information comprises behavioral logic available on said computing resource, said behavioral

logic associating said user to said selected UI skin.

28.   (original) The computer system of Claim 20, wherein said accessing user specific

information in said method further comprises:

accessing product registration information to access said user specific information.

29.   (original) The computer system of Claim 20, wherein said accessing user specific

information in said method further comprises:

querying said user for said user specific information upon installation of said application.

30.   (original) The computer system of Claim 20, wherein said method further

comprises:

loading only said selected UI skin when installing said application onto said computing

resource.

31.   (original) The computer system of Claim 20, wherein said method further

comprises:

dynamically updating said selected UI skin